

The next Australia/New Zealand Chemical Education Conference will be held in Auckland, New Zealand, during 1-4 July 2007, which is the week BEFORE ConASTA. This conference will be held jointly by

- the New Zealand Association of Science Educators (NZASE),
- the New Zealand Institute of Chemistry (NZIC) and
- the Royal Australian Chemical Institute (RACI).

Key dates:

20 JANUARY 2007 DEADLINE FOR CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

1 February 2007 Registrations will Open

1-4 July 2007 Conference

The ChemEd007 conference is an opportunity for chemistry educators and researchers at both secondary and tertiary levels, to be stimulated and enthused by dynamic international and national speakers and facilitators from Australasia. Ample opportunities will also be provided to share and reflect on the theory and practice of chemical education and we expect significant synergies to result from the opportunity to bring together researchers and educators from both the secondary and tertiary sectors.

ChemEd007 has the sub theme of "Where chemical agents bond" which will provide lots of opportunities for involvement in the various aspects of chemical education. There will also be a significant emphasis on developing the secondary-tertiary chemistry education interface.

It will showcase the latest knowledge in chemistry education, specifically covering:

- effective strategies for teaching and learning chemistry
- information on and exposure to curriculum materials and resources
- updates on leading edge chemical research
- promotion of career opportunities in fields involving chemistry
- helping students to bridge the secondary/tertiary/workplace interface
- chemical pedagogical approaches
- promotion of chemistry as a worthwhile subject to study
- effective use of computer software and interfacing in teaching chemistry